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SUBJECT: SINAI II: GENERAL SIILASVUOU'S COMMENTS ON DECEMBER 29
AGREEMENT

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1. BECAUSE HE WAS FLYING TO CAIRO THIS MORNING. GENERAL SIILASVUOU
ASKED AMBASSADOR TO CALL ON HIM LAST NIGHT IN JERUSALEM. THE
GENERAL'S ACCOUNT OF YESTERDAY'S MEETING WAS SIMILAR TO THAT
GIVEN BY BEN-NATAN (REFTEL). HE CHARACTERIZED IT AS HAVING GONE
WELL AND SAID THAT BOTH SIDES WERE HAPPY WITH THE RESULTS REACHED.
ANY TENSION WHICH MAY HAVE EXISTED HAD BEEN DISSIPATED. AGREEMENT
HAD BEEN REACHED TO MEET ON JANUARY 29 TO FIX THE EXACT PARAMETERS
OF THE EGYPTIAN SITE. THE ISRAELIS HAD STIPULATED THAT THIS SITE SHOU
LD
NOT BE TOO CLOSE TO THE J-1 LINE OR TO THE GIDDI ROAD AND SHOULD NOT
EXCEED THE THREE SQUARE KILOMETERS AREA OF THE ISRAELI STATION AT
UMM KHASHIBA.

2. SIILASVUOU EXPLAINED THAT HE WAS GOING TO CAIRO THIS MORNING
BECAUSE THE EGYPTIANS HAD SOME RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE USE OF
PATROL CRAFT IN THE GULF OF SUEZ, AS HAD BEEN SET FORTH IN THE
AGREEMENT. HE WOULD TRY TO STRAIGHTEN THIS ISSUE OUT, BUT
ADDED THAT AT SOME TIME HE MIGHT HAVE TO ASK US TO INTERCEDE.
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